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CITY ITEMS.

The city is very healthy now.

General Joseph C. Abbott is north on business.

The weather has been very fine for the past three days.

Edwin Legg, Inspector of Customs, at Smithville, has resigned.

"Post."—Don't fail to send in your dollar and get the Wilmington Post for 1879.

CRIMINAL COURT.—This tribunal has been in session all the week, Judge O. P. Meares presiding.

Market street is in a very misearable condition. Can't the city Fathers have something done for it.

Harry Brock will certainly have something done for the benefit of Market street if his time is extended.

Maj. H. L. Grant of Goldsboro, is making bricks equal to the Philadelphia pressed brick. We are glad to see this new enterprise.

SENATOR ROSS OF BRUNSWICK.—This gentleman is hard at work attending to his legislative business. He makes a fine legislator.

A GOOD OFFICER GONE.—George A. Downing, Deputy Collector of Internal Revenue in the upper end of Col. Young's District, has resigned.

Col. Shaffer and Col. Young's fight is still going on, or Col. Young has very adroitly shoved the fight off of his shoulders on to his chief, Commissioner Raum.

Can't Congress give but \$15,000 for the improvement of the Cape Fear? They had better not give any. Our merchants should take some action in the matter at once.

General Auger, commanding the Department of the south. Visited Smithville on Monday last, to inspect the fort and troops. He was accompanied by his aid Maj. Russell.

SECOND REG'T. N. C. STATE GUARD.—The election of officers of the Second Regiment at Raleigh on the 10th of January last has been declared void by the Adjutant General of the state, and a new election ordered.

COMPLIMENTARY TO MAJ. CHAS. M. STEEDMAN.—The stockholders of the New Hanover Bank, met on Thursday last, (while the Maj. was absent in Raleigh,) and unanimously elected him a Director and President of said Bank.

The House of Representatives passed the bill abolishing the Criminal Court of Wake county on Tuesday last. We believe the Criminal Court of New Hanover has been an actual benefit to the county, and if any bill is offered to repeal the law creating it we hope it will not pass.

The merchants of Wilmington, Newbern, Beaufort and Fayetteville ought to insist on the amendment offered by V. V. Richardson of Columbus, in the legislature, to prevent discrimination against North Carolina towns by the Railroads is passed.

Judge William A. Moore, who we all in Wilmington remember with pleasure, is now traveling in Switzerland with a very pleasant party of friends. We wish him a pleasant and happy journey, and a safe return to his thousands of friends in North Carolina.

Mr. Sol. Haas, for many years a resident and merchant in this city, but who is now residing in Richmond, Va., and occupying the position of general freight agent of the Richmond & Danville Railroad, was in our city on Friday last. We understood that his business here was to consult with Col. Pope, the general freight agent of the Atlantic Coast Line, concerning establishing rates for freight from this city to points on the North Carolina Railroad. We are very glad that our merchants will at last have a fine chance to ship goods up the state road.

The legislature was on the Brink of passing the Raleigh & Augusta Air Line, but a fellow stepped in and blocked it up. But what chance did they have when Wilmington had Christmas all the time and three Carters.

Two Pilot boats were seized by Capt. Russell Glover, commanding the Rev. Cutter, on Thursday last, charged with a violation of the law requiring all vessels to have a light at mast head at night. All vessels will do well to comply with the law in regard to lights or they will be brought before the U. S. Court for the penalty.

For a delicious aromatic cordial, stimulating and invigorating in its immediate and in its remote effects, nothing has ever equalled Dr. Harter's Elixir of Wild Cherry. A vegetable preparation that is acceptable to the most delicate stomach.

A QUESTION.—We desire to ask Mr. Henry Nutt, the Chairman of the Committee of the Chamber of Commerce, why he does not take hold of the matter and give Congress the necessary information, so that we can get an amount of money that will be of benefit to our harbor improvements. Is Mr. Nutt properly supported by the Chamber of Commerce, if he is not, in justice to himself the public should know it. What ever is done, should be done at once.

Invite the legislature to Wilmington. The Board of Aldermen, the Chamber of Commerce, Board of Trade and the Produce Exchange, should pass resolutions inviting the Governor and staff, and the General Assembly to visit Wilmington before the session of the legislature closes. We hope Mayor Fishplate will take hold of this matter. We should give them a rousing good time before they go home.

THIEVES CAUGHT.—Some weeks ago Mr. R. M. Wescott's store at Smithville was broken open at night and about \$800 worth of goods taken therefrom. On Wednesday last special officer Carr caught and arrested some of the thieves and recovered a large amount of the goods, and we are informed by the said officer that other goods were also found, more thieves will be arrested in a day or so. Officers Strode and Whitney assisted officer Carr in his work. Justice Gardner is doing good service in having the officers to make these arrests.

DANIEL O'CONNOR.—This gentleman is a successful business man. He has done a larger business as a real estate agent for the past year than any other man in this city. Those who have trusted him with their business knew that he is thoroughly competent for the business. Persons who have houses for rent or sale cannot put them in better hands, or where they obtain better prices. He gives thorough satisfaction, because he is honest, capable, systematic and prompt in his dealings. There is no better agent in this city, than Daniel O'Connor.

On Wednesday next the 19th instant Germania Lodge No. 4 K. of P. will celebrate the 15th anniversary of the order by having a parade of the members in full uniform and mounted on horseback. The procession will assemble on Fifth between Mulberry and Chesnut streets at 2 o'clock P. M., at which time the procession will be formed and headed by the Cornet Concert Club march down Fifth to Ann, down Ann to Front, down Front to Red Cross, up Red Cross to Fourth, up Fourth to Bladen, up Bladen to Sixth, down Sixth to Red Cross, up Red Cross to Seventh, down Seventh to Market, down Market to Third, up Third to the City Hall, where the procession will pass in review before his Honor Mayor Fishplate, and be dismissed.

JUDGE J. L. HENRY.—The editor had the pleasure while in Raleigh the past week, to meet Judge Henry, of Asheville. He was looking well, he has the sympathy of very many friends on account of the affliction in his family.

Judge Henry is one of the ablest men of the west, his superior legal qualification is unquestioned. He served on the Superior Court Bench of the state for ten years, to the entire satisfaction of the legal fraternity, as well as the people. He was a union man during the war, and since he has been a faithful and true Republican. He left the bench in 1878, and has to-day a very fine business as an attorney at law. His many friends all over the state desire to see Judge Henry occupying some important position in the state, and we hope President Hayes will recognize true merit and tender him one of the important judicial appointments of the state. The United States would be very greatly benefitted, and the appointment would give great satisfaction to the entire people, and very particularly to the Republicans of North Carolina.

DEATH OF MAJOR ENGELHARD.—Information was received in this city, by telegraph, of the death of Major Joseph A. Engelhard, in Raleigh, yesterday at three o'clock P. M. Major Engelhard has been sick for about two weeks, but his friends hoped that his disease had assumed a shape which rendered his recovery likely. Alas, those expectations were disappointed, and a large circle of admirers throughout the state will mingle their tears with those of his family at his untimely loss.

Maj. Engelhard was so well known in this city that an extended notice of him would be a twice told tale. His residence here for many years in this city acquired for him a large number of friends, who at the first intimation of his danger, earnestly prayed that his life would be spared for the service of his country. Those advantages which make life desirable he possessed in an eminent degree. Numerous and devoted friends, a most interesting family, an honored and responsible position in the councils of the state, health and strength, all combined to flatter us that he would reach a good old age.

As a mark of respect to him, the flag of the Democratic club on Front street was suspended at half mast, on the receipt of the painful intelligence.

DEMOCRATIC CONFERENCE.—There was a grand caucus yesterday afternoon of all the wards, Capt. David Murchison was made Chairman and Mr. Frank Darby acted as Secretary. The caucus passed a resolution instructing the city Democratic Executive Committee to draw up a bill and request the legislature to pass it, extending the time of the present city Aldermen for two years.

This is a complete defeat for the Londoners. Wherever you could see a Fisherman yesterday he had the grins.

EXCITEMENT AMONG THE DEMOCRATS.—On last Monday evening the Democratic Ward meetings were held for the purpose of considering the question of the present Board of Aldermen holding over. We understand the proceedings were very stormy, the language not very complimentary or chaste.

The present Mayor seemed to have the majority in favor of him and his holding over. He claims to have carried four out of the five wards. But the opposition headed by Mr. Alex. London were not satisfied, so the city Democratic Executive Committee called a meeting for Friday night the 14th instant, when they again met, and the Londoners were only able to hold their former position, the second ward breast works. The fishermen were satisfied with holding the forts they gained at the Monday night's meetings. We may expect lots of fun before the city matter is settled.

Ladies who value their complexion should avoid all face powders. Many of them are poisonous, and all stop up the pores and clog the circulation. Dr. Harter's Liver Pills, and Dr. Harter's Iron Tonic soon give a fresh, youthful appearance that no art can imitate.

Bank of New Hanover—Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Bank of New Hanover was held at their Banking House, in this city, on Thursday last. DuBrutz Cutler, Esq. was called to the chair, and Mr. Wm. Calder requested to act as Secretary.

A majority of the capital stock being represented in person or by proxy, the meeting was declared duly organized and ready for business.

The report and annual statement of the affairs of the Bank was submitted by the Vice President and accepted.

On motion, the meeting then proceeded to the election of eleven Directors for the ensuing year, and Messrs. C. M. Steadman, J. Bates, Jno. Dawson, D. R. Murchison, Don. McRae, H. Vollers, R. R. Bridges, Jas. Atkinson, J. A. Leak, B. F. Little and E. B. Jordan, were declared duly elected.

On motion, the meeting then adjourned.

Twenty-sixth Annual Meeting of the Seamen's Friend Society.—This Society met in the Bethel, in this city, at 8 o'clock Wednesday evening, February 12th, 1879.

On motion, Edward Kidder, Esq., was called to the chair, and Mr. E. S. Martin requested to act as Secretary. The President, Secretary and Treasurer, Chaplain and Keeper of the Home submitted their reports, and on motion, they were received and ordered spread upon the minutes.

Messrs. H. B. Eilers and R. E. Heide were appointed a committee to audit the Treasurer's books and vouchers, and report at the next regular meeting of the Executive Committee.

On motion, Messrs. H. B. Eilers and E. T. Hancock were appointed a committee to nominate Trustees for the ensuing year, and the following gentlemen were nominated and unanimously elected: G. R. French, Sr., Geo. Harris, R. E. Heide, E. T. Hancock, G. R. French, Jr., H. B. Eilers, B. F. Mitchell, E. S. Martin, Ed. Paschan, Roger Moore, A. Adrian, Edward Kidder, F. H. Darby, Alex. Sprunt and H. M. Bowden.

On motion, the meeting adjourned.

At a meeting of the Trustees, held immediately after the adjournment of the meeting of the members of the Society, Mr. Edward Kidder presiding, and Mr. E. S. Martin acting as Secretary, the following gentlemen were elected officers for the ensuing year:

George R. French, Sr., President.
George Harris, Vice President.
George R. French, Jr., Secretary and Treasurer.

These gentlemen, in connection with the following, constitute the Executive Committee, viz: Messrs. H. B. Eilers, E. T. Hancock, R. E. Heide.

Rev. J. W. Craig was elected Chaplain.

The Board then adjourned.

The receipts of the Seamen's Friend Society for the year ending February 11th, 1879, (from the parent society at New York, annual dues of members, rents, and donations by citizens,) amount to \$1,468 33.

The disbursements (including salary of Chaplain, interest on mortgaged debt, and on notes held by the First National, Dawson, and New Hanover banks, repairing and refitting the Home and Bethel, insurance and incidental expenses,) amount to \$1,241 90, leaving a balance on hand in the treasury of \$226 43, and about \$375 interest on debt unpaid.

The following report of the President was then submitted to the Society:

GENTLEMEN.—Again we have the pleasure of greeting you in this our Twenty-sixth annual meeting, which calls us together to consult upon the ways and means best suited to advance the material prosperity and usefulness of our society. The past year, like several of its predecessors, has been one of continued business depression through all branches of manufacture, shipping and trade, and the Home has not been exempt from its depressing effects. We have not had the financial prosperity we looked for. Our buildings have not rented for as good rates as we had hoped, and we have not been able to meet more than our current expenses, and have paid nothing on the bonded debt. Our main building is still uncompleted, and we would especially call your attention and invoke your aid in devising some plan whereby we can put it in rather a better condition for the comfort of the inmates. During the past year we have succeeded in procuring the sick seamen from the government, to accomplish which we have made repeated efforts for several years past, and during the past summer they were turned over under contract to our Mr. Gilbert, the keeper of the Home. In compliance with the resolution at last meeting, we have made application to the parent society of New York city for a special donation of one hundred dollars, to assist us in finishing the third floor of the building to make it comfortable for sleeping apartments, which donation we confidently expect to be granted. And, upon such improvements being completed, we can reasonably expect a better revenue next year. We gratefully acknowledge the generosity of the parent society in New York, whose grant of four hundred dollars during the past year enabled us to pay the salary of our Chaplain, a report of whose Christian labors we may expect at this meeting. For a detailed statement of our financial condition you are referred to the report of our Treasurer, Captain Gilbert, keeper of the Home, will render an account of his department.

Respectfully submitted,
GEORGE R. FRENCH, Sr.,
President S. F. Society.
Wilmington, N. C., February 4, 1879.

Valuable Tree Wash.

William Saunders, of the government garden at Washington, uses the following recipe for tree wash: Put half a bushel of lime and four pounds of powdered sulphur in a tight barrel, slacking the lime with hot water, the mouth of the barrel being covered with a cloth. This is reduced to the consistency of ordinary whitewash, and at the time of application half an ounce of carbolic acid added to each gallon of liquid. Mr. Saunders says: "I generally applied it in the spring, before the leaves make their appearance, but I am convinced that it would be more effective if applied later. But then it is difficult to do so when the tree is in foliage."

"Where were you last night?" said the Judge. "Carnival Authors," said the prisoner. "Staid 'til 9 o'clock; was a little dryden, and went out and Goethe drink! I couldn't pay the Scott, and a Long fellow at the Wayside Inn asked my name. 'Robert Burns,' say I. 'Put him out,' says he; 'The Dickens you will; says I; 'my Holmes in the Highlands drinking the beer; 'You'll get no Moore here, says he; and the Little Boy Blue came along and ran me in. That's Watts the matter, Judge; I would not tell you a false Hood; I'm innocent as a Lamb." And the Judge thought so, for he sent him behind the bars for thirty days, a wiser, if not a Whittier man.—Boston Commercial Bulletin.

THE FLORIDA FRAUDS.

An Ultra Democratic View of Them.

(East Florida Banner (Dem.))

Dr. R. H. McIlvaine, editor of the Cedar Keys Journal, expresses our views in the matter of Governor Hull's indictment for complicity in procuring a fraudulent return of the vote of Brevard county. There is a chain of evidence which connects him directly with that fraud. Acting upon the suggestion contained in his letter to Mr. Poyntz, the fraud was perpetrated. Three men occupying humbler positions than Mr. Hull, were induced to commit this crime. They have since been convicted and sentenced to serve a term of years in the Albany Penitentiary at hard labor. In this matter Governor Hull acted outside of his party. It was his individual act, and the party of which he is a member cannot be held responsible therefor. As regards frauds, the policy of the Democratic party is clearly pronounced. One of the clearly expressed tenets of that party now is not only to unearth and punish fraud, but to condemn the condonation of fraud; and upon this principle the Democratic party must be kept pure. If individual members of that party, acting upon their own suggestions, shall commit frauds upon the ballot, or alter the returns after they have been deposited in the custody of the proper officials, they must suffer the consequences of their crime. Mr. Hull has gotten himself into an ugly mess, and he must extricate himself as best he can. If he wrote to Mr. Poyntz with the intent to suggest the perpetration of a fraud, he ought not to go to Congress, and if he had to better sense nor discretion than to write such a letter without intending to convey such a suggestion, he is not fitted to be a representative in Congress; and now that it is clearly established that Mr. Bisbee received a majority of the votes, and was legally elected, we think that Mr. Hull should gracefully yield him the certificate of election and retire from politics—a business for which he seems entirely unsuited. He owes this much to the people of this district and the party of which he is a member, and this the party ought to demand. As Dr. McIlvaine says it is "best to have the proud consciousness of having done right than to attempt to attain a temporary advantage by sacrifice of principle." The following is the Doctor's remarks on the subject in full:

You will see by the dispatches that Lieutenant Governor Hull has been indicted in the United States Court in Jacksonville for conspiracy to secure a fraudulent return of the election in Brevard county. This action is based upon a letter written by Hull to one Nat Poyntz three days after the election, saying that, according to the latest returns, in (which did not include Brevard and Dade counties), he lacked 202 votes of an election, and for Poyntz to proceed to Brevard, regardless of expense, and see what could be done. If there had been no false return from Brevard county this letter would have been comparatively harmless, but coupled as it is with such admitted fraud, it has an exceedingly ugly look, and will probably lead to very serious consequences.

My own opinion is that it will cost Mr. Hull his seat in the forty-sixth Congress and that justly. The grand old Democratic party cannot afford to countenance or uphold fraud in elections or sustain the claims of any man who attempts to retain office by a resort to fraudulent returns; better let Mr. Hull go by the board, and seat his opponent, if elected, and have the proud consciousness of having done right, than to attempt to attain a temporary advantage by sacrifice of principle.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Mortgages Sale.

NOTICE is hereby given that in pursuance of a power of sale on a Mortgage Deed, dated the 21st day of June, 1870, and recorded in book N. C. No. 10, page 187, 188 and 189, in the Records of New Hanover County the following described Real Estate will be sold at public sale to the highest bidder on Tuesday, February 20th, 1879, at 12 o'clock M. A House and lot situated in the City of Wilmington, on the south side of Church street between Second and Third streets, which said property is more particularly set out and described in the Mortgage Deed above referred to. Sale will take place on the said premises. Feb 10-tds

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

NEW HANOVER COUNTY.

In the Superior Court, before Stacy Van Amringe, Clerk of the Superior Court of New Hanover County, and Judge of Probate.

E. G. McDaniel, administrator of Duff G. McDaniel, deceased, suing in behalf of himself, and in behalf of P. D. Koonce, Administrator of Ann Koonce deceased, and in behalf of all others, creditors of the late Daniel L. Russell, deceased, who will join in this proceeding and contribute to the expenses thereof.

Against Dr. W. J. H. Bellamy and Thomas B. Russell, executors of Daniel L. Russell, deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS. ALL CREDITORS OF THE LATE DANIEL L. RUSSELL, deceased, are hereby notified that the above entitled action will be heard before Stacy Van Amringe, Clerk of the Superior Court, and Judge of Probate of New Hanover County on the 26th day of March, 1879, at 11 o'clock A. M. and they are notified to appear before me on or before that day and the evidence of their claims, and make themselves parties thereto, or they will be excluded from all participation in the funds and benefits derived pursuant thereto.

STACY VANAMRINGE, Clerk of the Superior Court and Judge of Probate New Hanover County. Feb. 9-5w.

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WILMINGTON, N. C.
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REPUBLICANS IN THE LEGISLATURE.

The Republican party is well represented in the General Assembly—as well if not better than it has been for many years past. The colored members are very excellent representatives, above the average in point of ability and character, that has been elected to the legislature since the adoption of the Constitution of 1868. On the vote on the Raleigh and Augusta Air Line Railroad they stood manfully by their state and their people's interest and only two colored members and six white Republicans voted against the amendment offered by Mr. Foard.

THE RALEIGH AND AUGUSTA AIR LINE.

The friends of North Carolina succeeded on Thursday last in getting the above charter so amended that the said Road cannot discriminate against any city or town in North Carolina, which is really a very great triumph over the Virginians. The bill, chartering the above Road from Sanford to Charlotte, Mr. Foard of Surry, a gallant North Carolinian and a very able lawyer offered the following amendment.

That section 1 be amended by adding to it after the word contract in 12th line, provided the same facilities of transportation and rate per mile on each article of freight according to its classification shall be given to any station on the proposed extension, or on the present line, or to any town or seaport in North Carolina as are given to any station, town or seaport in any other state, and that if Company shall violate any of the provisions of this section, in so far as the same applies to discrimination in rates against citizens of North Carolina, it shall in any manner evade the said provisions, it shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof in the Superior Court of any county in which any part of the track of said company shall be situated, shall be fined one thousand dollars for each and every offence and forfeit its charter.

Messrs. Foard of Surry, Cobb of Lincoln, Covington of Moore, Colwell of Duplin, Lockhart of Anson, Clark of Craven and Carter of Buncombe, made able speeches in behalf of the amendment, appealing to the House to protect North Carolina's interest and North Carolina cities and towns from the discrimination of foreign Railroad Companies. The people of the whole state are under obligations to these gallant and able gentlemen for their manly fight in behalf of the interest of the Old North State.

We publish the official vote below to show the vote on the amendment offered by Mr. Foard and published above.

Ayes—Messrs. Anderson, Armstrong, Barringer, Bateman, Battle, Berry, Bird, Bizzell, Blalock, Bonner, Bost, Bruce, Carter of Buncombe, Carter of Warren, Carter of Yancey, Carrell, Chadwick, Christmas, Clark, Cobb, Colwell, Covington, Davis of Catawba, Davis of Haywood, Deans, Dunn, English, Etheridge, Foard, Forbes, Foy Gatling, Hines, Johnson of Davie, Lamb, Lewis, Lindsay, Lockhart, Meares, Mebane, Newell, Oliver, Orchard, Rawley, Reid of Macon, Reynolds, Richardson of Columbus, Scott, Smith, Turner, Waddell, Wheeler and Young—Ayes 54.

Nays—Messrs. Angier, Ardrey, Atkinson, Bernard, Bingham, Blocker, Brown of Mecklenburg, Brown of Yadkin, Burroughs, Cary, Coffield, Cook, Council, Dimsdale, Ellison, Ewing, Farrell, Foster, Goldston, Grant, Harrell, Harrison, Henderson, Huffstetter, Jones, Leach, Leatherwood, Lutterloh, Melson, Meller, Moore, McCorkle, McLean, Norment, Paxton, Powers, Reid of McDowell, Richardson of Wake, Ritchey, Roberson, Taylor, Vaughan, Wynne and York—Nays 44.

We must take occasion in common justice to our friends to speak of the very excellent work done in favor of the amendment by Messrs. Richardson of Columbus, Meares of Brunswick, Newell of Bladen, Scott and Waddell of New Hanover, Foy of Jones, Lamb of Duplin, Davis of Madison, Davis of Catawba, Chadwick of Carteret, Oliver of Robeson, Bateman of Washington, Dunn of Lenoir, Armstrong of Pender, Christmas and Carter of Warren, Reynolds of Halifax and Battle of Edgecombe. While these gentlemen did not make speeches they did effective work for the amendment and every person in the Old North State should thank them for their noble efforts in behalf of the people and against a Railroad corporation.

Wilmington Charlotte and Western Railroad.

As a matter of information we publish the particulars of the above company. Mr. Bryan offered the bill in the Senate a few days ago. The bill first names the corporations, who are D. R. Murchison, Edward Kidder, John L. Brown, Edward Matthews, H. M. Houston, Charles M. Steadman, C. H. Roberts, C. B. Jones, Donald McKee, V. Q. Johnson, A. V. Stout, B. R. Smith, John D. Shaw, R. L. Steele, H. Porter, D. G. Worth, Jesse Jenkins,

R. T. Bennett, J. H. Chadbourne, R. M. Oates, Thomas Evans, T. P. Wells, Watson Matthews, E. E. Burruss, M. P. Leak, J. T. Pope, R. J. McCaskill, J. R. Liles, W. H. Michal, L. T. Everett, B. D. Heath, R. M. Miller, J. C. Cobb and E. B. Jennings, and their successors or assigns, a corporation with perpetual succession, who are to have the usual privileges of such bodies; limits the capital stock to \$10,000,000, and authorizes the opening of books of subscription to the same. The bill then proceeds as below:

SEC. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized to construct and make or to purchase, hold and complete the construction of a railway from the city of Wilmington to or near the most eligible point on the line of division between this state and the state of Tennessee or Virginia, or either or both of them: Provided, That should this corporation purchase the Western North Carolina Railroad or in any way obtain control of that road, it shall not have the right to take up the track of any part of said road, but shall maintain the same.

SEC. 3. That so soon as the sum of five hundred thousand dollars shall have been subscribed to said capital stock, it shall be the duty of the persons named in the first section of this act, or a majority of them, to appoint a time for the stockholders to meet at Wilmington, * * * at which time and place the stockholders, in person or by proxy, shall proceed to elect their directors, etc., etc.

Section 6 of the bill provides as follows: That the said company may construct or aid others in constructing any lateral or other railway branch, branches or feeders to their main railway, or may lease, hire, purchase or otherwise secure the use and control of the same.

The bill further goes on:

SEC. 15. Said company may purchase the Carolina Central Railway, at any sale thereof, which may be made under the judgment of the Superior Court of New Hanover county, in the action now pending in said court, wherein Edward Matthews is plaintiff, for the foreclosure of a mortgage on the franchise and property of said railway company, or at any sale made under the judgment of said court in any action now pending or that may hereafter be brought, or at any other sale that may be made thereof, and may thenceforth hold, possess and be entitled to said railway extending from Wilmington to Luthersford, about two hundred and fifty miles, and all its contracts, franchises, rights, privileges and immunities, and all the estate and property of every description, real and personal, belonging to the said Carolina Central Railway Company, and by such purchase the said company hereby incorporated shall acquire all the rights, privileges and immunities conferred on the Carolina Central Railway Company by its charter and amendments made thereto. And in case the said corporation shall purchase the property of the Carolina Central Railway Company, it shall not be lawful for the said corporation to take up the track of that part of the road west of Charlotte or any part thereof.

SEC. 16. Said corporation, in case it shall become the purchaser of the Carolina Central Railway Company, is authorized to complete the construction of said railway, and shall have all the necessary powers for doing so; but it shall have no power to change the line of that part of the road already completed; but it may make such necessary changes as may be deemed advisable in the line or route already surveyed, but which is not completed.

SEC. 17. Said company may purchase, own or possess (alone or in connection with any other company or individuals,) steamboats and other vessels to ply and sail to and from the port of Wilmington, etc., etc.

We give this much of the bill because it embodies its chief features, and is a matter of the first consequence to our people. What progress it has made in the General Assembly we do not know.

The recent passage at arms between Congressman Bragg, of Wisconsin, and Messrs. Singleton and Chalmers, of Mississippi, shows that the tail is to no longer wag the Democratic dog. This is perfectly natural. The brains, and we believe patriotism, as well as the numerical strength of the Democratic party, has always been in the South. But, since the war, the Southern Democrats have done the voting, while the Northern Democrats have carried off the honors. After the next Presidential election, Democrats of the North may expect to take a back seat, and the party machine will be run by Southern men. They will not dare to run a Southern man for President in 1880, but the South will have a man pledged to do their bidding, should he be elected. Such men as Mr. Bragg may as well be getting ready to accept the situation. They can not withstand the party lash which will be applied with vigorous hands, and they must either succumb to the inevitable, or be read out. The dog will not consent to be longer wagged by the tail.—*Knaveville Whig and Chronicle.*

There seems to be one stalwart Republican in New Orleans of whom the Democratic papers of that city can speak kindly. Referring to the appointment of General A. S. Badger as Collector, the New Orleans Times says: "President Hayes has at last made an appointment which we feel sure will meet with universal approval. Whatever objection may exist against General Badger on account of his political opinions and affiliations, it certainly cannot be denied that he is an honest and brave and prudent man. It was necessary, we presume, as politics go, that some Republican should be appointed to this important place, and such being the case, the choice could not have fallen upon a more acceptable person than General Badger."

The Philadelphia Times speaks understandingly when it says "there are moral natures so weak as not to be able to stand 'much of anything.'" It might have added that there are others so blunt that nothing affects them. To this latter class belong those politicians who find nothing morally shocking in the cipher dispatch exposures.

THE DEMOCRACY AND THE SPOILS.

The patriotism and energies of the Democratic party are never so actively aroused as when pastures green that unfold the tempting hope of spoils are spread out before its members. There is great vitalizing power in the prospect of an office to an average Democrat. He at once becomes a patriot, and is alive to the importance of serving his country. There is a remarkable instance of this kind now at the National Capital. Soon the United States Senate is to hold within itself a Democratic majority—a circumstance unknown to history for some twenty years. The Senate has patronage to dispense, a fact which has been snuffed afar off and has brought a host of hungry and ardent expectants to the front to wrangle over the few leaves and fishes that are to be distributed. The cry is, "still they come," and hotels and lodging and boarding-houses are being crowded with palpitating hearts and hungry contestants for the tempting prizes. Tennessee has its Burch, Pennsylvania its Stenger, North Carolina its Waddell, West Virginia its McMahon, Maryland its Dennis, with a legion of lesser fry, who seem to suffer aggravated hunger as they discover little chance of its gratification. There are a multitude of Democratic minnows playing around the hook, trying to get a nibble at the bait, each differing with the rest of mankind when they think that they should be selected for the possession of some of this meat which hangs dangling upon the Democratic hook.

The scramble is vigorous, and the contest is increasing in bitterness, and we will glance at the battle-field of these Democratic gladiators. The first in order to be inspected is Senator Dennis, of Maryland, whose Senatorial term expires on the 4th of next March, and who will ask the Senate to return him to a subordinate position in the body of which he is now an honorable peer. We have great respect for Senator Dennis in his present position—i. e., we have as much respect for him as we can have for a gentleman who has made the mistake of taking up his bed and board with the Democratic party—but when we consider him as a candidate for the Secretaryship of the Senate, in which he now holds an honored seat, which, if successful, will enable him to lay aside his Senatorial toga and step down at once to a subordinate position in the same body, our respect for him dwells, and we turn aside from the consideration of such an event with unpleasant emotions.

Then comes Mr. Burch, of Tennessee, who, for aught that we know, stands well, personally, but he is making his canvass chiefly on his war record in the Confederate army during the rebellion. With the Senate, as it will then be constituted in its majority, this may be regarded as a strong, and it may prove a winning card; while to the average loyal citizen that would not be regarded as the highest grade of claim to distinctive position in the reorganization of the Senate. The Democrats, however, have become a law unto themselves so far as loyalty to the Government is concerned, and exercise a generous indulgence toward those who have attempted to take the national life.

Professor McMahon, of West Virginia, is a formidable candidate for the position of Secretary of the Senate, but we opine that he is too much of an educated, fair-minded, well-qualified, and respectable gentleman to be preferred by the Democratic party. Our only wonder is that a gentleman of his innate instincts of manhood, scholarly acquirements, and liberal views, should have found his political home with that party. We have no idea that such abilities and attainments are to be recognized and appreciated by the Democrats.

Mr. Waddell has been an average Democratic member of Congress from what is known as the "tar-heel" State, and that seems to be the highest claim laid in his behalf. If the Secretaryship was a position of ease and luxury, where the incumbent had no more to do than the figure that shows the wares of a clothing store, then no doubt Mr. Waddell would be adequate to the situation, but the duties require industry, talent, patience, and executive ability to aid their proper performance. In this case, unless our judgment is at fault, these desired qualities will be found missing if ever called for in that direction.

Mr. Stenger, of Pennsylvania, bases his claim for the place upon the fact that he has been a member of Congress and has been repudiated by his constituency. Perhaps that is a good Democratic claim, but with the rest of mankind it would not go far in securing success so long as the applicant is scarcely up to mediocrity as a member, and yet he may be the very kind of stuff that the Democrats will find into a responsible position heretofore filled by gentlemen of respectability and worth.

The smaller fry will play for subordinate positions and in this way the patriots will be rewarded under the Democratic rule of nothing for self but everything for the country. The scramble for the Sergeant-at-Arms position is very lively, and Confederate brigadiers are as thick as at Richmond during the war, all seeking a reward for not destroying the Union because they could not.

An editor offers a reward of \$5 for the best treatise on "How to make our door life attractive to the mosquito."

Tilden the Innocent.

The world has been led to believe that Samuel J. Tilden is a man of remarkable parts. Wise above what is written—shrewd as cunning—could render him—acute in his observation—soaring in his purposes—wide awake to all that is going on around him—brave to the point of distinguished heroism—rich in enterprise and in wealth—sharp as they make—indeed, so keen that he was an overmatch for Tammany and the "Tweed Ring," and brought the latter into a most uncomfortable and repulsive ruin by his keensighted intelligence, his keen scent for rascality, and his relentless reform. He has been credited with all these attributes and honored as the Democratic candidate for the Presidency on their account. During that eventful canvass, in which Hayes had 185 votes, and was elected, money flowed like water from the barrels of this modern Cæsar. New York was flooded with his ducats. Indiana shared largely of his munificence. New Jersey and Connecticut became the objects of his special care, and both saw the color and denomination of his money. Ohio was not forgotten, while Pennsylvania was squinted at from his off eye. The South was cared for, and rifle clubs flourished under the fostering influence of his wonderful reforming political agencies. The canvass was made lively by the wide-awake characteristics of Samuel J. Tilden as the Democratic reform candidate for the Presidency.

The campaign was pushed through by all the modern agencies of an unscrupulous and reckless use of money outwary and outrage, when it was discovered that Tilden was not quite elected by all these questionable appliances that had been brought to bear upon the canvass—Hayes having 185 electoral votes, and being elected. Then the south was invaded by visiting statesmen to see that a fair count of the votes should be secured, and among them the emissaries of Tilden, who were among the most active and vigilant. Cipher telegrams were invented and aimed at Gramercy park without stint. Money was subscribed in large sums, and the purchase of states were as coolly considered as the purchase and sale of railroad stocks by "the railroad wrecker." South Carolina was in the market at \$60,000, Louisiana could be purchased for a larger sum. Marble, Weed and Coyle were as lively as a hive of bees on a sunny day in summer. Cipher telegrams which concealed the terrible secrets of a conspiracy to corrupt the elective franchise and subvert the popular voice by absolute purchase of states rained in upon Gramercy park like a plentiful shower. This scheme failed, and Hayes was declared elected. The cipher dispatches were discovered, and the plot was revealed by their translation, and the parties who sent and received them own up to their substantially correct translation; but, most fortunately for them, they have lost or destroyed their keys, and hence cannot tell if they are literally rendered by the Tribune. None, however, presume to impeach the translations given, and these dispatches stand as a monument of Democratic dishonesty and dishonor.

The investigation has done its work of revelation and substantiation. Tilden begs the privilege of coming before the committee that he may wash himself in innocence before his countrymen. He has been engaged on that service for two days, and he has made his ablution as faithful as a Hindoo in the Ganges. He denies any knowledge of the wicked conspiracies and intentions of his coparceners and agents. All was done without his knowledge and consent. He knew nothing of the wickedness then, and he knows nothing of it now. His eyes were closed and his ears were shut, and he washes himself in the pool of ignorance and innocence, and would rather be an angel than President through such agencies as his friends and instruments brought to bear upon the contest. The naughty men in his employ were the rogues, while he is clad in saintly robes. What a masquerade!

The Republicans have nothing to fear in the most earnest and searching inquiry into the Florida affair. As that inquiry now stands it appears that Tilden, who has added to his income-tax thefts, his railroad wrecking, and his stock jobbing the most public and revolting crimes of perjury and blasphemy, has declared that this returning board was bought. Mantion Marble confirms (?) this day by the assertion that the board was for sale. Mr. Dyke's infamous and unwarranted offer to buy the board or sell it to the Tildenites is all the foundation Marble has or had for his statement. This cumulation of falsehood serves to aid the Tildenites in the erection of their claims. It all rests upon Dyke's unsupported expressions. Call Mr. Dyke and see if he will now swear to that expression or give any valid reason for his belief. Dyke's offer being established as the unwarranted effort of a common plunderer, the structure of perjury and vile slander will fall to the ground.

Kisses and Shot-Guns Enough.

As an indication of Grant's popularity in the south the following is related in a Washington special to the Chicago Inter-Ocean: "Representatives Springer of Illinois, and Hewitt, of Alabama, were sitting in the Democratic cloak-room the other day gossiping about the next Presidential campaign, and Springer asked Hewitt how Grant would run in the southern states. Said Hewitt: 'Run? We haven't got rifles and shot-guns enough in the south to keep the niggers from voting for him.' Which seems to be the general feeling among the southern Democrats.

Be always sure of doing good. This will make your life comfortable, your death happy, and your account glorious.

A REMARKABLE EXHIBITION.

That Made Before the Potter Committee by Manton Marble Yesterday.

[Special Telegram to The Inter Ocean.] WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—Manton Marble's appearance on the witness stand to-day was a remarkable exhibition of stolid wickedness and high-toned Pecksniffian morality. It was the general opinion that the two self-confessed scamps, Weed and Pelton, did not make half so bad an appearance as this high-bred Joseph Sulkey, who resented all the charges of immorality, and yet disclosed every moment his utter lack of principle. The Tribune, in its editorial review, says: "Marble also bears witness to the essential accuracy of the Tribune's translations. He admits that he did transmit in cipher dispatches addressed to Colonel W. T. Pelton, 15 Gramercy Park, two, probably three, infamous propositions. One for the purchase of the decision of the board and the certificate of the Governor for \$200,000; another for the purchase of one member of the board for \$50,000. The figure of the third, he thinks, \$250,000. All Marble's microscopic criticism of words and dates may pass for the present unnoticed, for it only serves to render more emphatic and decisive his recognition and acknowledgement of the essential truth of the main charges. He says that he never remonstrated with Pelton for his acts of infamy; that he did not even say a word to the members of the Democratic committee about the conduct of the man trusted by them, not to Tilden about the behavior of his nephew and Secretary; that he suffered the committee, and Tilden, and all the world, to remain ignorant of the facts, though daily association with Colonel Pelton only increased every day the weight of evidence which has now accumulated against Tilden himself. All these things Mr. Marble asserts under oath. How many persons does he expect to have believe him?"

Pelton's Confession.

Mr. Pelton has spoken. The nephew and confidential secretary of Mr. Tilden, and the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee, confesses that an attempt was made to buy the electoral vote of Louisiana, South Carolina, and Florida; acknowledges that the cipher telegrams, as published, are substantially correct, admits that he is the author of the dispatches agreeing to pay \$50,000 for the electoral vote of a State, and declares that Manton Marble, Smith M. Weed, Woolley, and other Democrats were his confederates or agents in negotiating the purchase. This is, in effect, a plea of guilty on the part of the leaders of the Democratic party.

When the charge that the Democrats had attempted to buy the electoral votes of two or three States was first made, it was met by an unqualified denial. The people were informed that no such proposition had ever been made or entertained for a moment. When the cipher telegrams were published the correctness of the translation was at first denied. Then explanations were offered to show that all references to money related to campaign expenses, or to expenditures on the part of the committees. Now, after hundreds of letters have been written, and scores of witnesses have testified to explain away all the complications of the Democratic case, here comes a witness from headquarters who admits all that was ever charged, and involves the gentlemen, who have been so prolific in explanation, in new complications.

Mr. Pelton is important in this matter only as he plays an important part. Driven from every position that they have taken, falling back from the aggressive to the defensive, and then taking up the line of retreat, the Democratic leaders find themselves in a corner. In this last extremity, when denial no longer answered, and when explanations were only laughed at, it was no longer a question of further resistance, but one of escape. It was no longer a question as to who could make the stoutest denial, but as to what one could best afford to make open confession. Pelton was chosen, and, like the "immortal J. N.," he assumes the pressure. He takes the sins of the whole Democratic management on his shoulders, and staggers off. It is an amusing and interesting spectacle, but it does not clear the skirts of the Democratic party. There was an effort made to buy the electoral vote of three States, and Pelton's confession simply points out the guilty parties.

Democratic veterans who smell the battle of 1880 are beginning to boast of their robust health. Thurman "never felt better." Hendricks is running over with youthful enthusiasm. Tilden toward spring will light on his horse for his morning ride without touching his foot in the stirrup. These facts are encouraging. We need healthy candidates. This is especially true of the Democracy, who will find a realizing truth of the old song of "Jordan is a hard road to travel."

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